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Zablocki faced with hectic schedule

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Washington, D.C. — Because of events in Afghanistan, Iran and Pakistan, Rep. Clement J. Zablocki (D-Wis.), chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, is facing one of the most hectic schedules of his 30 years in Congress when the new session begins this week.

Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, who has briefed Zablocki and other committee chairmen and congressional leaders regularly and sometimes daily in recent weeks, is scheduled to appear before the committee to outline an urgent request for aid to Pakistan.

Zablocki also has received secret briefings from the Central Intelligence Agency on intelligence activities in southwest Asia and will conduct hearings on legislation to remove some restrictions on the CIA.

He also will be asked to move a resolution, which he supports, urging that the 1980 Olympics be moved from Moscow. If the games are not moved, Americans should not compete, according to the resolution.

On Friday, the vice president of Egypt and the Italian ambassador attended receptions with Zablocki.

Friday afternoon, he left for Milwaukee, leaving word with John J. Brady, the chief of his committee staff, on where he could be reached at any time.

Monday, Zablocki will be honored at 11 a.m. at St. Francis Hospital by

labor, business and civic leaders with the establishment of the Zablocki Memorial Fund. The fund, established in tribute to Zablocki's 30 years in Congress and in memory of his late wife, Blanche, now has more than \$50,000 and will be divided between St. Francis Hospital's Diabetes Center and cancer research at Johns Hopkins Medical School in Baltimore, Md.

Brady, who has worked with Zablocki long enough to think like him, was handing Zablocki letters to sign during an interview in Zablocki's office.

Zablocki said President Carter should not be faulted for not acting sooner to move against Soviet aggression.

"We were still hoping that SALT could be seriously considered. The president wouldn't want to cause domestic political problems here by being too harsh. But now that the Soviet Union is putting troops in Afghanistan, it's an entirely new ball game," he said.

As Brady gave Zablocki cryptic two- or three-word summaries of the letters he was signing, Zablocki said public opinion has gone from one extreme, which he called "Fortress America," to the other, "start a war."

"The president is trying to correct the situation without a confrontation," he said. "Can he do it? Alone, no. With the unity of our people and the support of our allies, he can."

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